

## Message Text

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R 091700Z MAY 77  
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TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7285  
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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: ELAB, IC  
SUBJECT, LABOR FEDERATION DEFERS STRIKE DECISION

REF: REYKJAVIK 644 (061951Z MAY 77)

1. ICELANDIC FEDERATION OF LABOR (IFL) CONTRACT NEGOTIATORS DID NOT ANNOUNCE ANY DECISION REGARDING POSSIBLE GENERAL STRIKE FOLLOWING SPECIAL MEETING MAY 7 OF IFL "BACKSTOPPING" COMMITTEE (REFTL). NEGOTIATIONS WITH MANAGEMENT, WHICH RESUMED TODAY (MAY 9), WRE THUS FREE OF DEADLINE WHICH SCHEDULED WLKOUT WOULD HAVE IMPOSED9 (SEVEN-DAY NOTICE OF INTENTION TO STRIKE IS REQUIRED BY LAW.)

2. PRIME MINISTER HALLGRIMSSON TOLD INDEPENDENCE PARTY NATIONAL CONVENTION MAY 6 THAT GOI STOOD READY TO FACILITATE CONTRACT SETTLEMENT BY MEANS OF INDIRECT BENEFITS TO WAGE EARNERS IN AREAS OF HOUSING, TAXES, AND PENSIONS. HOWEVER, PRIMEMIN STRESSED THAT GOVERNMENT WAS INHIBITED FINANCIALLY IN WHAT IT COULD DO AND, MOREOVER, THAT IT WOULD ONLY ACT ON CONDITION THAT WAGE TERMS OF UNCLASSIFIED

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NEW CONTRACT WERE WITHIN LIMITS THAT ECONOMY COULD TOLERATE.

3. MEANWHILE, IFL BAN ON MEMBERS OVERTIME WORK CONTINUED. WEEKEND PRODUCED MOST VISIBLE SIGNS YET OF BAN'S IMPACT, WITH STORES CLOSED ON SATURDAY AND SEVERAL NEWSPAPERS CANCELLING WEEKEND EDITIONS.

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